



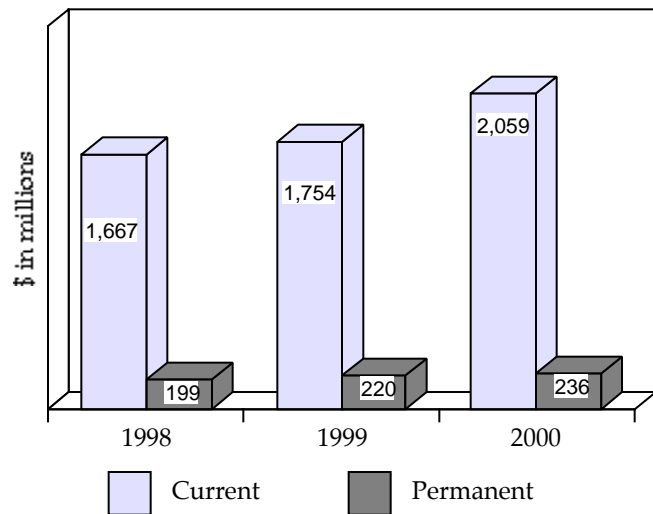
# NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**Mission** - In 1872, the Congress designated Yellowstone National Park as the nation's first "public park or pleasuring ground for the benefit and enjoyment of the people." The subsequent establishment of the National Park Service on August 25, 1916, reflected a national consensus that natural and cultural resources must be set aside to be preserved for future generations. As stated in the original authorizing legislation, the mission of the National Park Service is to "preserve unimpaired the natural and cultural resources and values of the national park system for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this and future generations."

**Program Overview** - The stewardship responsibilities of the National Park Service include 378 parks in 49 states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Virgin Islands. The two newest parks, authorized in 1998, are Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas and Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site in Alabama. In its entirety, the System represents and interprets the collective struggles and cultural identity of the American people by preserving both the natural and cultural sites which are ingrained in the Nation's history. Representative of this rich diversity of our national culture are the numerous designations used for park sites. There are over 20 such designations. They range from the traditional national park designation to the more specific national scenic trail, national memorial, national battlefield, national seashore, national historic site, national historical park, and national monument. The Park Service also provides funding support and technical assistance to several national heritage areas. All of the Park System areas are of such national significance as to justify special recognition and protection in accordance with various acts of Congress. Park visits total more than 285 million annually.

Central to carrying out the Park Service mission are the employees. Total staffing in 1998 was 19,421 full time equivalents. More than 80 percent are employed in parks, with the remainder in headquarters, central offices, and service-wide programs. The NPS estimates that staffing will total 20,182 full-time equivalents in 1999. Park employees serve a diverse clientele of visitors and function

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in multiple roles including stewards of the public trust, interpreters of natural and cultural sites, and guarantors of visitor safety. In the area of cultural resource preservation, park staff serve as historians, curators, archeologists, and conservators. In the area of natural resource programs, park staff serve as biologists, ecologists, and resource management specialists.

**Budget Overview** - The new century will present unprecedented challenges and opportunities to the management and the resources of the National Park System. These challenges will center principally on external and internal threats to some of America's most treasured resources and will, at the same time, place greater demands for services and access by the public. In order to prepare for these and other challenges, the 2000 budget contains a significant investment in the National Park Service. Proposed appropriations in the 2000 budget total \$2.1 billion, \$304.7 million above the 1999 enacted level, and includes \$376.5 million in support of the Administration's Lands Legacy Initiative. The increase reflects the importance that the Administration and the Secretary place on stewardship responsibilities related to preserving natural and cultural resources; enhancing the

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experience of the park visitor; and continuing the ongoing Everglades restoration initiative.

**Park Operations** - Funding for the Park Operations appropriation, the money that funds resource protection, visitor services, and programs in parks, is increased by a net of \$101.7 million to revitalize management of park resources and improve visitor services .

The budget proposes \$25.0 million for specific park operational increases. The increase will be used to address specific program needs at 91 parks and for the U.S. Park Police. The funds will be directed to parks experiencing severe threats to resources; parks with new responsibilities; parks with high priority facility operations and maintenance needs; and to urban parks. A net increase of \$26.0 million is also requested in the Operations account to fund pay costs throughout the System.

In addition to the natural resource funding provided through increases for specific parks, the budget includes an increase of \$19.8 million for Natural Resource Science and Stewardship, designed to bring about greater overall accountability for protection and management of park natural resources Service-wide. The largest share of the increase, \$8.0 million, will accelerate completion of inventories of natural resources in parks. Funds are also requested for programs such as native and exotic species control; recovery of disturbed lands and recovery of threatened and endangered species; and geologic resource protection at the 160 units with significant geologic resources. Examples of the benefits of this initiative include improved ability to undertake critical projects from a list of priorities such as restoring native habitat through control of the exotic leafy spurge plant at Theodore Roosevelt National Park; restoring the Sierra Nevada bighorn sheep population at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks; and restoring rare, floating marshes at Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve.

**Maintenance and Other Park-Related Programs** - Within operations, an additional \$20.9 million will fund other activities that directly benefit parks, such as: reducing the backlog of unfunded health and safety deficiencies through added repair and rehabilitation projects; funding additional costs associated with GSA leases at several park units; and developing air tour management plans to benefit parks with air tourism operations.

The National Park Service is custodian of an irreplaceable collection of cultural and historical material, such as the diaries of Martin Luther King, Jr.; American Revolution correspondence between the founding fathers and King George III of England; and the laboratory notebooks of Thomas Edison. The budget includes \$5.0 million for

Park Service participation in the Administration's America's Treasures Online Program, an initiative to develop a national digital library of records of American achievements in history and arts and sciences. The NPS anticipates that the funds will allow digitization of over 100,000 objects and records. The request also includes \$3.5 million in additional funds for other critical cultural resource program enhancements, including continuation of the Service's Vanishing Treasures Initiative, aimed at preserving historic and prehistoric sites and structures throughout the arid southwest.

**Construction** - The Construction and Major Maintenance account is funded at \$194.0 million, \$35.7 million below the 1999 enacted level. The Construction budget emphasizes the Department's Safe Visits to Public Lands Initiative. Funding is provided for those projects addressing the most critical health and safety and high priority natural and cultural resource needs of the parks. The 2000 budget reflects management improvements and staff downsizing at the Denver Service Center resulting from the 1998 study of Park Service construction, conducted by the National Academy of Public Administration. One of the chief improvements resulting from the study is increased contracting for projects rather than using NPS staff to perform most of the design and construction supervision.

**Lands Legacy** - The Park Service budget includes a significant increase for the Administration's Lands Legacy Initiative, the single largest investment ever in the protection of America's land resources. The NPS Land Acquisition and State Assistance appropriation is funded at \$172.5 million, providing \$171.5 million for Federal Land Acquisition and \$1.0 million to monitor and close out State grants from prior years. The Federal program provides an increase of \$24.0 million over 1999 and includes \$ 22.0 million to acquire lands at seven Civil War Battlefield parks and \$7.1 million for land acquisition in the Mojave National Preserve. The 2000 budget also reflects the third year of the four-year initiative to accelerate Everglades restoration. Of the total funds requested, \$80.0 million is to address land acquisition needs of the Everglades ecosystem, including \$20.0 million to complete a multi-year, Federal and State funding effort to acquire almost 110,000 additional acres in Everglades National Park, an acquisition authorized by Congress in 1989 and crucial to restoring ecosystem productivity in southern Everglades, and \$45.6 million to continue the important partnership with the State of Florida in acquiring land to support Everglades restoration.

Also included in this initiative is a new Conservation Grants and Planning Assistance Program that provides grants to protect green space. The initiative will provide

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\$50.0 million in matching grants to States and Indian Tribes for open space planning and \$150.0 million in matching grants to States, local communities, and Indian Tribes for land or easements for open spaces, greenways, outdoor recreation, urban parks, wetlands, and wildlife habitat.

The budget proposes \$4.0 million for the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act Grant Program, also part of the Lands Legacy Initiative. The urban park program will help local communities meet urban recreational needs by awarding matching grants for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreation areas and facilities, and for the development of improved recreation programs.

**Historic Preservation** - For 2000, the Historic Preservation Fund is proposed at \$80.5 million, an increase of \$8.1 million over 1999. An increase of \$6.6 million will address the most critical building repairs at historically black colleges and universities. The 2000 budget continues funding for the Save America's Treasures program at \$30.0 million, providing grants to preserve projects of national scope and significance.

**National Recreation and Preservation** - The National Recreation and Preservation appropriation funds programs connected with local community efforts to preserve natural and cultural resources. For 2000, these programs are proposed at \$48.3 million, a net increase of

\$2.1 million over 1999, including increases of \$2.0 million for the Rivers and Trails Conservation Program and \$1.3 million for grants and technical assistance for conserving, restoring, and interpreting Chesapeake Bay watershed resources.

In 2000, the parks will continue to enjoy the benefits resulting from the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program, authorized by Congress in 1996. The estimate for fee receipts to the program in 2000 is \$137.3 million. Available to the Park Service without further appropriation, 80 percent of these funds supports projects at the collecting park and 20 percent is distributed nation-wide to all parks on the basis of need. Parks are using the fees to remedy maintenance backlogs, enhance resource management, and improve visitor services.

Within the funds requested, the Park Service plans to increase partnerships efforts, particularly with respect to natural and cultural resource programs. The budget will also strengthen the NPS volunteer force and challenge the cost share program in 2000.

**Government Performance and Results Act** - The NPS continues to improve its implementation of GPRA. All programs at the park level are covered by strategic plans and annual performance plans. Individual performance standards for all park superintendents and senior management staff are now tied to NPS performance goals.

**SUMMARY OF BUREAU APPROPRIATIONS**  
(all dollar amounts in thousands)

*Comparison of 2000 Request with 1999 Enacted:*

	1999 Enacted		2000 Request		Change From 1999	
	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>Appropriations</b>						
Operation of the National Park System .....	16,833	1,287,924	17,387	1,389,627	+554	+101,703
National Recreation and Preservation.....	293	46,225	327	48,336	+34	+2,111
Historic Preservation Fund .....	0	72,412	0	80,512	0	+8,100
Construction and Major Maintenance.....	729	229,738	562	194,000	-167	-35,738
Land Acquisition and State Assistance .....	143	147,925	177	172,468	+34	+24,543
Conservation Grants and Planning Assistance.....	0	0	60	200,000	+60	+200,000
Urban Park and Recreation Fund.....	0	0	0	4,000	0	+4,000
LWCF Contract Authority (Rescission).....	0	-30,000	0	-30,000	0	0
Subtotal, Appropriations.....	<u>17,998</u>	<u>1,754,224</u>	<u>18,513</u>	<u>2,058,943</u>	<u>+515</u>	<u>+304,719</u>
<b>Permanents and Trusts</b> .....						
Recreation Fee Permanent Appropriations .....	814	144,518	869	155,912	+55	+11,394
Other Permanent Appropriations.....	149	35,495	181	38,314	+32	+2,819
Proposed Legislation - Filming .....	0	0	0	2,500	0	+2,500
Miscellaneous Trust Funds .....	65	9,508	65	9,508	0	0
LWCF Contract Authority.....	0	30,000	0	30,000	0	0
Construction (Trust Fund) .....	1	0	1	0	0	0
Subtotal, Permanents and Trusts .....	<u>1,029</u>	<u>219,521</u>	<u>1,116</u>	<u>236,234</u>	<u>+87</u>	<u>+16,713</u>
<b>Transfers, Reimbursables and Allocations</b>						
Transfers .....	749	0	777	0	+28	0
Reimbursables.....	406	0	386	0	-20	0
Allocations to Other Agencies .....	[41]	[0]	[41]	[0]	0	0
Subtotal, Other .....	<u>1,155</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,163</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>+8</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE.....</b>	<u><b>20,182</b></u>	<u><b>1,973,745</b></u>	<u><b>20,792</b></u>	<u><b>2,295,177</b></u>	<u><b>+610</b></u>	<u><b>+321,432</b></u>

**HIGHLIGHTS OF BUDGET CHANGES**  
By Appropriation Activity/Subactivity

**APPROPRIATION: Operation of the National Park System**

	<u>1998 Actual</u>	<u>1999 Enacted</u>	<u>2000 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1999 Enacted</u>
<b>Park Management</b> .....				
Resource Stewardship.....	221,112	228,819	266,775	+37,956
Visitor Services.....	303,080	301,238	319,806	+18,568
Facility Ops and Maintenance .....	383,588	411,930	441,081	+29,151
Park Support .....	240,341	238,929	251,880	+12,951
Subtotal, Park Management.....	<u>1,148,121</u>	<u>1,180,916</u>	<u>1,279,542</u>	<u>+98,626</u>
<b>External Administrative Costs</b> .....	97,543	104,688	110,085	+5,397
Transfer .....	340	0	0	0
Supplemental .....	340	2,320	0	-2,320
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b> .....	<u>1,246,344</u>	<u>1,287,924</u>	<u>1,389,627</u>	<u>+101,703</u>

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## Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+29,686]
Park Management	
Resource Stewardship	+37,956
<p>An increase is proposed for inventory and monitoring (+\$8,000), to enhance natural resource programs and to provide data to meet Government Performance and Results Act requirements. The NPS is also requesting increases for the following Natural Resources Programs: Natural Resources Preservation Program (+\$3,500), Native and Exotic Species Management (+\$4,000), Geologic Expertise for Resource Protection (+\$735), California Desert Restoration (+\$2,021), and the Resource Protection Act Implementation (+\$1,500), and for the following Cultural Resources Programs: Cultural Resources Preservation Program (+\$1,500), Collections Management Program ((+\$1,000), Vanishing Treasures (+\$994), and America's Treasures Online (+\$5,000). An increase to the South Florida Task Force (+\$499) is proposed, while Everglades Science is being reduced (-\$4,000). The proposed increase for selected parks is to address specific high priority operational requirements (+\$9,044). In addition, this subactivity level reflects a reduction of funds at the Presidio due to the establishment of the Presidio Trust (-\$440). Uncontrollable costs (+\$4,603) are included.</p>	
Visitor Services	+16,248
<p>Increases are proposed for overflight management (+\$800), Trails and Rails Partnership Program (+\$150), Conservation Education Program (+\$500), Continuity of Operations (+\$150), and Recreation Fee Program Management (+\$2,500). Additional funds are requested for selected parks to address specific high priority operational requirements (+\$8,441). This subactivity level also reflects a reduction of funds at the Presidio due to the establishment of the Presidio Trust (-\$3,290). Uncontrollable costs (+\$6,997) are included.</p>	
Facility Operations and Maintenance	+29,151
<p>An increase is requested for regional repair and rehabilitation (+\$5,000) and cyclic maintenance (+\$4,000) programs to reduce infrastructure backlogs with an emphasis on health and safety projects. Additional funds are also requested to more fully implement a Facility Condition Assessment Program (+\$2,500), for improvements to the Maintenance Management System (+\$1,000) and for selected parks to address high priority operational requirements (+\$6,079). This subactivity level reflects a transfer of funds from the Dam Safety program component(-\$395) to Facility Maintenance program component (+\$395) under uncontrollable costs. Uncontrollable costs (+\$10,572) are included.</p>	
Park Support	+12,951
<p>Funds are proposed for a special Humanity for Habitat Initiative and a general increase in the Volunteers in Parks Program (+\$1,981), Partnership Training and Coordination (+\$1,000), Challenge Cost Share (+\$2,000), Financial System Integration (+\$750), Upgrades to Budget Formulation (+\$500), Information Management System Support (+\$325), Property/Management Workforce Training (+\$150), and the Workforce Diversity Initiative (+\$250). There are increases in this subactivity for park operations for selected parks to address specific high priority operational requirements (+\$1,436). In addition, this subactivity level reflects a reduction of funds at the Presidio due to the establishment of the Presidio Trust (-\$509), and a decrease for a one-time cost associated with Financial System/AFSII work accomplished in 1999(-\$75). This subactivity level reflects a transfer of funds from Management and Administration (-\$87) to Cooperative Programs (+\$87), and from Park Support Programs (-\$422) to Management and Administration (+\$422) under uncontrollable costs. Uncontrollable costs (+\$5,143) are included.</p>	
External Administrative Costs	+5,397
<p>Funds are requested to continue a two-year phased implementation of IDEAS, the Interior Department Electronic Acquisition System (+\$226), and for new space requirements (+\$2,800). Uncontrollable costs (+\$2,371) are included.</p>	

**APPROPRIATION: National Recreation and Preservation**

	<u>1998 Actual</u>	<u>1999 Enacted</u>	<u>2000 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1999 Enacted</u>
Recreation Programs .....	506	515	533	+18
Natural Programs .....	8,984	9,088	12,840	+3,752
Cultural Programs.....	18,899	19,056	20,164	+1,108
International Park Affairs.....	1,658	1,671	1,849	+178
Environmental Compliance and Review	350	358	373	+15
Grants Administration.....	1,715	1,751	1,819	+68
Heritage Partnership Programs				
Commissions and Grants .....	4,500	5,000	5,250	+250
Technical Support.....	850	859	886	+27
Subtotal, Heritage Partnership .....	5,350	5,859	6,136	+277
Statutory or Contractual Aid				
Alaska Native Cultural Center .....	0	750	0	-750
Aleutian World War II Historic Area .	100	100	0	-100
Blackstone River Corridor Comm.....	324	324	324	0
Brown Foundation.....	102	102	102	0
Dayton Aviation Heritage Comm.....	48	48	48	0
Delaware & Lehigh Nav. Canal.....	654	329	329	0
Ice Age National Scientific Reserve ...	806	806	806	0
IL & MI Canal Nat'l Heritage Comm .	238	239	242	+3
Johnston Area Heritage Assn .....	50	50	50	0
Lackawana Heritage .....	450	450	0	-450
Lower Mississippi Delta .....	65	0	0	0
Mandan On-a-Slant Village.....	0	250	0	-250
Martin Luther King Jr. Center .....	534	534	534	0
National Constituion Center.....	236	500	500	0
National First Ladies Library.....	0	300	0	-300
Nat'l Underground RR to Freedom ....	0	500	0	-500
Native Hawaiian Culture & Arts .....	750	750	750	0
New Orleans Jazz Commission .....	67	67	67	0
Quinebaug-Shetucket.....				
National Heritage Pres. Comm .....	200	200	200	0
Roosevelt Campobello				
Internat'l Park Commission .....	650	670	670	0
SW PA Heritage Preservation Comm.	758	158	0	-158
Vancouver Nat'l Historic Reserve.....	285	400	0	-400
Wheeling National Heritage Area .....	480	400	0	-400
Subtotal, Stat'y / Contractual Aid ...	6,797	7,927	4,622	-3,305
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION .....</b>	<b>44,259</b>	<b>46,225</b>	<b>48,336</b>	<b>+2,111</b>

**Highlights of Budget Changes**

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+184]
Natural Programs	+3,752
Increased funds are requested for the Rivers and Trails Conservation Assistance program (+\$2,000) for greenways and open space in targeted urban areas, for the Chesapeake Bay Gateways program (+\$1,250), and for Hydropower Relicensing Assistance (+\$285). Uncontrollable costs (+\$217) are included.	
Cultural Programs	+1,108
Increased funds are requested for National Historic Landmark Theme Studies (+\$800). Uncontrollable costs (+\$308) are included.	

	<u>Amount</u>
International Park Affairs	+178
Funding is requested for enhanced International Partnership Training (+\$150). Uncontrollable costs (+\$28) are included.	
Heritage Partnership Programs	+277
Additional funding is requested to support Heritage Commissions and Grants (+\$250). Uncontrollable costs (+\$27) are included.	
Statutory or Contractual Aid	
Alaska Native Heritage Area	-750
Funds added to the budget in 1999 are not requested in 2000.	
Aleutian WWII National Historic Area	-100
Funds added to the budget in 1999 are not requested in 2000.	
Lackawanna Heritage	-450
Funds added to the budget in 1999 are not requested in 2000.	
Mandan On-a-Slant Village	-250
Funds added to the budget in 1999 are not requested in 2000.	
National First Ladies Library	-300
Funds added to the budget in 1999 are not requested in 2000.	
SW Pennsylvania Heritage Preservation Commission	-158
Funds are not requested in 2000. Authority for this Commission has expired.	
Vancouver National Historic Reserve	-400
Funds added to the budget in 1999 are not requested in 2000.	
Wheeling Park Commission	-400
Funds added to the budget in 1999 are not requested in 2000.	

**APPROPRIATION: Historic Preservation Fund**

	<u>1998 Actual</u>	<u>1999 Enacted</u>	<u>2000 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1999 Enacted</u>
Grants-in-Aid .....	37,312	42,412	50,512	+8,100
National Trust/Historic Perservation ....	3,500	0	0	0
Grants for Millennium Initiative .....	0	30,000	30,000	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION .....	40,812	72,412	80,512	+8,100

***Highlights of Budget Changes***

	<u>Amount</u>
Grants-in-Aid	+8,100
Increases are requested for grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (+\$6,600) and for National Historic Landmark Grants (+\$1,500).	

**APPROPRIATION: Construction and Major Maintenance**

	<u>1998 Actual</u>	<u>1999 Enacted</u>	<u>2000 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1999 Enacted</u>
Line Item Construction and Maint.....	156,761	171,561	118,175	-53,386
Special Programs .....	32,865	30,402	35,305	+4,903
Emergency, Unscheduled.....	[3,000]	[3,000]	[4,000]	[1,000]
Housing.....	[12,000]	[12,000]	[10,000]	[-2,000]
Dam Safety .....	[0]	[0]	[1,440]	[1,440]
Demolition .....	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
Equipment Replacement .....	[17,865]	[15,402]	[19,865]	[4,463]
Construction Planning .....	17,500	16,370	10,195	-6,175
Pre-Design and Supplementary Svcs .....	0	0	4,500	+4,500
Construction Program Management and Operations.....	0	0	17,100	+17,100
General Management Planning.....	7,775	7,725	8,725	+1,000
Counter-terrorism Supplemental .....	0	3,680	0	-3,680
Emergency Supp; Storm Damage .....	9,506	0	0	0
Rescission.....	-1,638	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION .....</b>	<b>222,769</b>	<b>229,738</b>	<b>194,000</b>	<b>-35,738</b>

**Highlights of Budget Changes**

	<u>Amount</u>
Line Item Construction and Maintenance	-53,386
<p>The proposed construction program for 2000 consists of 36 projects in 35 park areas. These projects are comprised of currently unmet high priority critical health, safety and resources protection needs, and other projects of an important and urgent nature. Public use sanitation system improvements are included for 11 parks, and the Service continues its efforts to restore important ecological areas at Everglades and Olympic National Parks. (See Appendix C for a complete list and description of projects).</p>	
Special Programs	+4,903
<p>This is a new activity for 2000 and combines several former activity and subactivity components. These include Emergency and Unscheduled Projects, the Seismic Safety of National Park System Buildings Program, Employee Housing, Dam Safety, and Equipment Replacement. These functions are described below.</p>	
Emergency, Unscheduled	[+1,000]
<p>Emergency and Unscheduled Projects -- This program funds minor unscheduled and emergency construction projects to protect and preserve park resources and to provide for safe and uninterrupted visitor use of facilities.</p>	
<p>Seismic Safety of NPS Buildings -- This program identifies and corrects structural deficiencies in NPS buildings that are at risk due to their location in unstable seismic areas.</p>	
Housing	[-2,000]
<p>Funding in this program is used to remove temporary, unsafe, and trailer housing units throughout the National Park System and replace them with safe and permanent quarters for NPS and concessioner employees.</p>	
Dam Safety	[+1,440]
<p>This program is conducted with the assistance of the Bureau of Reclamation and focuses on the correction of unsafe and unstable dams in park areas where the potential risk of loss of life and resources is high.</p>	



	<u>Amount</u>
Equipment Replacement Funds are requested for the timely, scheduled replacement of equipment. Included in the requested amount are funds to improve park management and data processing, and to implement the modernization of its radio communications inventory in compliance with National Telecommunications and Information Administration regulations.	[+4,463]
Construction Planning Funding in this activity is used to prepare project planning documents, drawings, and specifications necessary to complete approved Line Item Construction Program projects. In 2000, construction project planning will be conducted under the recently adopted National Academy of Public Administration guidelines.	-6,175
Pre-Design and Supplementary Services This is a new activity for 2000, and provides funds for the completion of tasks before project design and specifications work begins, including programming, special studies, and resource analyses.	+4,500
Construction Program Management and Operations This Construction appropriation activity represents costs associated with base funding Denver Service Center salaries and administrative/infrastructural costs. These include managing the 5-year Line Item Construction Project Program and coordinating review, ranking, and approval of projects for completion, and overall program oversight.	+17,100
General Management Plans The proposed General Management Plans program for 2000 will continue the preparation and revision of plans to guide the Service in the protection, use, development, and management of each area and evaluate the potential for adding new units to the National Park System.	+1,000

**APPROPRIATION: Urban Park and Recreation Fund**

	<u>1998 Actual</u>	<u>1999 Enacted</u>	<u>2000 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1999 Enacted</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION .....	0	0	4,000	+4,000

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	<u>Amount</u>
Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act Grants Funding is requested to provide matching grants to cities for the renovation of urban park and recreation facilities.	+4,000

**APPROPRIATION: Land and Water Ccnsevation Fund (Permanent Contract Authority)**

	<u>1998 Actual</u>	<u>1999 Enacted</u>	<u>2000 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1999 Enacted</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION .....	-30,000	-30,000	-30,000	0

***Highlights of Budget Changes***

	<u>Amount</u>
Permanent Contract Authority Rescission of this permanent authority is proposed.	-30,000

**APPROPRIATION: Land Acquisition and State Assistance**

	<u>1998 Actual</u>	<u>1999 Enacted</u>	<u>2000 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1999 Enacted</u>
Assistance to States				
Administrative Expenses.....	1,000	500	1,000	+500
National Park Service				
Acquisitions.....	129,290	134,425	152,468	+18,043
Emergencies and Hardships .....	3,000	3,000	4,000	+1,000
Acquisition Management .....	8,500	8,500	11,000	+2,500
Inholdings.....	1,500	1,500	4,000	+2,500
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION .....</b>	<b>143,290</b>	<b>147,925</b>	<b>172,468</b>	<b>+24,543</b>

***Highlights of Budget Changes***

Acquisitions	<u>Amount</u> +21,543
Funding requested includes funds for projects in the South Florida ecosystem (\$78,000) and other park areas (\$75,468).	
Acquisition Management	+2,500
Funds are requested to administer the acquisition of authorized National Park Service lands (\$11,000). Of the total, \$2 million is directly associated with the administration of the land acquisition program in South Florida.	
State Grants Administration	+500
Funds are requested to administer awarded grants (\$1,000).	

**APPROPRIATION: Conservation Grants and Planning Assistance**

	<u>1998 Actual</u>	<u>1999 Enacted</u>	<u>2000 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1999 Enacted</u>
Conservation Grants .....	0	0	150,000	+150,000
Planning Assistance .....	0	0	50,000	+50,000
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION .....</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>200,000</b>

***Highlights of Budget Changes***

Conservation Grants	<u>Amount</u> +150,000
Funds are requested for a new program to provide competitive grants to protect open space. Grants will be provided to states, local communities, and Indian Tribes for land or easements for urban parks, greenways, outdoor recreation, wetlands, and wildlife habitat.	
Planning Assistance to States	+50,000
Funds are requested for a new program to provide competitive grants to States and Indian Tribes for open space planning.	